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RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

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Honorable Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

The *Office Action* from Examiner Drew J. Brown of Art Unit 3616, dated 13 January 2006, marked *Final*, has been received and carefully reviewed. In response thereto, Applicant amends the Claims to better clarify the patentable distinctions between the cited prior art and the present invention, and respectfully submits that the cited references do not teach, suggest, or render obvious the present invention as claimed.

Applicant further submits that the following amendments place the *Application* in condition for allowance and/or place the *Application* in better form for appeal. The amendments do not raise new matter issues or raise issues requiring further consideration or searches. It is respectfully requested that the Examiner reconsider the pending *Final Office Action* for the following reasons and remarks.